

JACOB'S LADDER

12" finished

block for July

This block is part of ESQ celebration of Christmas in July. Please bring back finished block at the July business meeting for drawing. Light fabric is provided; participant adds one blue fabric that is holiday/winter like.

Cutting:

$5\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	2.5 x 13.5
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Light fabric (provided) $5\frac{1}{2}$ " x 24"

- **First cut** 2 - $5\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
- Cut 2 strips of light - $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $13\frac{1}{2}$ "

Blue fabric (you add)

- **First cut** 2 - $5\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
- Cut 2 strips of blue - $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $13\frac{1}{2}$ "

Hint: If you put the light and blue $5\frac{1}{2}$ " x 24" right sides together before you cut pieces, they will be ready to sew.

Sewing:

Sew together the two light $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and two blue $2\frac{1}{2}$ " strips. Press towards the blue.

Sub-cut into ten $2\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces.

Piece these together to make five four-patch units. Press the seam allowance in either direction.

Using the same light and blue fabric, take two light and two dark $5\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the two light squares. With right sides together of the light and blue, sew a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on both sides of the drawn line.

Cut on the drawn line and press towards the blue fabric.

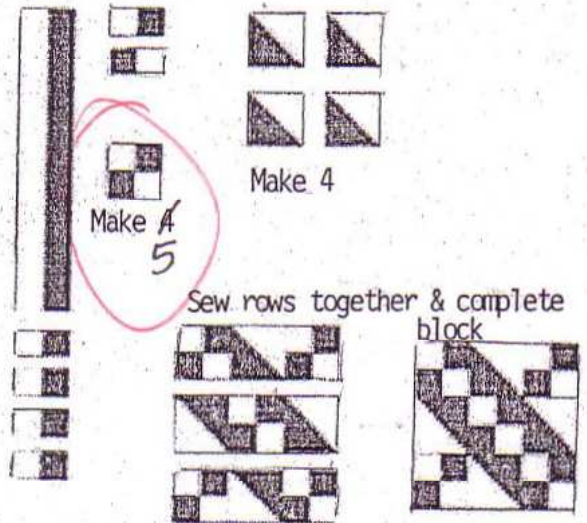
Square the units to $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

You will have 4 half-square triangle units.

Arrange the units into three rows as shown in diagram. Pay close attention to the position of lights and darks (blue) in all units.

Sew the components of each row together. Press seams towards the four patch units.

Sew the rows together, butting seams carefully so that units match at intersections. Compare your quilt block to the drawing to make sure it is sewn correctly.



ESQ Block of the Month – July 2008

"Happy Holidays in July to you from the BOM Committee"